

Town of Sunset Beach Selects New Town Administrator

SUNSET BEACH, N.C. (May 18, 2021) – The Mayor and Town Council of Sunset Beach, N.C. are pleased to announce the appointment of Jack Hobbs as the Town's next Town Administrator. Hobbs currently serves as the County Administrator for Madison County, Va. and has more than three decades of local government experience. He will assume his new role on July 15, 2021.

Hobbs was chosen following a lengthy process that began in September 2020 following the resignation of former Town Administrator Hiram Marziano.

"The Town Council and I are excited to welcome Mr. Hobbs to our community," stated Town of Sunset Beach Mayor Shannon Phillips. "We are confident that his combination of knowledge and experience will support collaborative solutions for our community while maintaining its beauty and quality of life that are so important to those who know and love Sunset Beach."



Hobbs holds a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering from Virginia Tech, a Master of Business Administration from the College of William and Mary, and a Master of Engineering in systems engineering from the University of Virginia. He is certified as a credentialed manager by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) and is a graduate of the University of Virginia's Senior Executive Institute. Hobbs is licensed as a professional engineer in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Prior to his move to Madison County, Va. in 2017, Hobbs served as the Town Manager for the Town of Amherst, Va. for 25 years. Earlier in his career he was employed as an Engineer by the City of Williamsburg and as Director of Planning and Community Development for Henry County.

"I am looking forward to this opportunity and helping the Mayor, Town Council and Town staff as they work to protect and improve the community, provide outstanding services to the residents and business operators in Sunset Beach and enhance the experience of visitors to the area," said Hobbs. "In the coming weeks my focus will be on meeting with Town employees, community leaders and residents to gain a better understanding of the culture of Sunset Beach and its priorities."

The Town Administrator is appointed by the Town Council and serves as chief administrative officer by performing duties specified in the Town Code and North Carolina statutes. He is responsible for the proper management of the affairs within the Town Council's authority to control and ensures that policies and priorities established by the Town Council are carried out. Under the direction of the Town Council, the Town Administrator recommends an annual budget and keeps the Council informed on the Town's financial condition. The Sunset Beach Town Administrator also serves as the Town's Purchasing Agent and Personnel Director.

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